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FOR: BENZENESULFONYLAMINO COMPOUNDS AND

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING THESE

COMPOUNDS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced patent application, pleas enter the following amendments.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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